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DANIEL HOFFMAN NAMED CONSULTANT IN POETRY

Daniel Hoffman, poet and professor of English at the University of Pennsylvania, has been appointed Consultant in Poetry to the Library of Congress for the 1973-74 term beginning next September.

When Robert Frost took office as Consultant, he called a press conference to announce his readiness to be consulted by Congress; but in actual fact the responsibilities of the Consultant are strictly literary. They include editorial supervision of the Library's recorded archive to contemporary poets reading their own works, advising the Library on its literary collections, and recommending new material. The Consultant customarily presents two public lectures at the Library during the year.

Mr. Hoffman is the author of five books of verse, the most recent of which is *Broken Laws* (Oxford University Press). He has received grants in poetry from the National Institute of Arts and Letters and the Ingram Merrill Foundation, and last year he was elected chancellor of the Academy of American Poets. His first volume, *An Armada of Thirty Whales,* won the Yale Series of Younger Poets Award. His other books of verse are *A Little Geste, The City of Satisfactions,* and *Striking the Stones.*

Twice a Research Fellow of the American Council of Learned Societies, Mr. Hoffman is known also for his critical writings. His latest study, *Poe Poe Poe Poe Poe Poe Poe,* was published by Doubleday in 1972. He is the author also of *Form and Fable in American Fiction* (W. W. Norton & Co.), *Barbarous Knowledge: Myth in the Poetry of Yeats, Graves & Muir* (Oxford University Press), and *The Poetry of Stephen Crane* (Columbia University Press).

Mr. Hoffman, who was educated at Columbia University, taught at Columbia, at the Faculté des Lettres at Dijon, and at Swarthmore College before joining the University of Pennsylvania faculty in 1966.

The Consultantship in Poetry was established in 1936 through a gift of funds to the Library of Congress from the late Archer M. Huntington. The poets who have held the post, in addition to Frost, are Joseph Auslander, Allen Tate, Robert Penn Warren,

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SPRING HAS SPRUNG. . . .

The Library's Chinese saucer magnolia (magnolia Soulangiana), the first one to bloom on Capital Hill, was in full white bud on March 12 and now several buds have opened fully. Its early efforts are helped by the fact that its roots are directly over a heating duct. In the past, this early blooming has lead to frost damage that caused the blooms to be café au lait rather than the glorious white that nature intended. Full public enjoyment of the magnolia is restricted this year by the high board fence around the tunnel construction site; it is even more the private delight of the Loan Division staff.

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PRESIDENT HARRISON HONORED IN LC SHOWCASE EXHIBIT

William Henry Harrison, ninth President of the United States, is the subject of a single-case Showcase Exhibit in the west foyer on the ground floor of the Main Building. Commemorating the 200th anniversary of Harrison's birth, the exhibit includes items from the Prints and Photographs Division, the Manuscript Division, and the Music Division.

Among the items are a Currier & Ives color portrait of Harrison and a photographic reproduction of a watercolor portrait of his wife, Anna Tuthill Symmes, by whom he had 10 children. A Historical American Buildings Survey photograph shows "Grouseland," Harrison's home in Vincennes, Ind., which he occupied while he was Governor of the Indiana Territory. After achieving national recognition in the battle against the Shawnee at Tippecanoe in 1811, Harrison described the contest and defended his conduct in an eight-page letter to Governor Scott of Kentucky. The letter is also shown.

For almost 20 years after Tippecanoe, Harrison held a variety of public offices, including U.S. Congressman, Ohio State Senator, U.S. Senator, U.S. Minister to Colombia, and Clerk of The Court of Common Pleas in Hamilton County, Ohio. In 1840 he became the Whig candidate for President, with John Tyler of Virginia as his running mate. The hard-fought campaign focused on Harrison's military record, with "Tippecanoe and Tyler Too" as the Whig slogan and hard cider and the log cabin as the symbols of the northwest frontiersman. Three items in the exhibit, a campaign poster, a colored wood-engraved cartoon, and a sheet-music cover, are examples of the myriad of materials that were published during the campaign. Finally, a lithograph by Charles Fenderich depicts Harrison's inauguration at the east front of the Capitol on March 4, 1941. Harrison served the shortest term in U.S. Presidential history; he died exactly one month after taking office.

The exhibit will remain on view through May.

[*Nancy Reichley*]

POETRY PUBLISHED BY FORMER LC SPECIAL POETRY ASSISTANT

Phyllis E. Armstrong, who served the Library of Congress as its first Special Assistant for Poetry from 1946 until her retirement in 1970, is the author of *A Witness in Washington,* her first book of poems, just published by Cornel Lengyel's Dragon's Teeth Press of Georgetown, Calif. The volume contains a foreword by the poet Katherine Garrison Chapin, a close friend of the author since the early days of the Poetry Office.

Among the book's 43 poems are several inspired by Miss Armstrong's quarter-century of work with the noted poets with whom she served when they were Poetry Consultants. In this genre are the opening poem, "A Note from a Balcony (for Randall Jarrell)," "No Soft Evangel for Conrad," "The Dreamer and the Dream (for Conrad and Mary Aiken)," "Moon Landing (a Rememberance for Robert Frost)," and others. Ranging beyond poets and the Poetry Office, however, the poems vary in subject, mood, and form.

Upon her retirement from the Library, Miss Armstrong was cited for "help[ing] immeasurably to bring poetry and people closer together" when she received the Distinguished Service Plaque of the Amos R. Koontz Memorial Foundation. She has also recorded her poetry for the Library's Archive of Recorded Poetry and Literature, a rich and nationally known collection which she was instrumental in starting.

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Louise Bogan, Karl Shapiro, Robert Lowell, Léonie Adams, Elizabeth Bishop, Conrad Aiken, William Carlos Williams, Randall Jarrell, Richard Eberhart, Louis Untermeyer, Howard Nemerov, Reed Whittemore, Stephen Spender, James Dickey, William Jay Smith, and William Stafford. Mr. Hoffman succeeds Josephine Jacobsen, who became Consultant in Poetry in September 1971.

JUILLIARD CONCERTS MARCH 29, 30

On Thursday and Friday evenings, March 29 and 30, the Gertrude Clarke Whittall Foundation in the Library of Congress will sponsor two concerts of chamber music by the Juilliard String Quartet. The members of the ensemble are Robert Mann and Earl Carlyss, violins; Samuel Rhodes, viola; and Claus Adam, violoncello. Their program will include Quartet in A minor, Op. 29, D. 804 by Franz Schubert; Six Bagatelles, Op. 9 by Anton Webern; Italian Serenade in G major by Hugo Wolf; and Quartet in B flat major, Op. 130, with the Grand Fugue, Op. 133, as the finale, by Ludwig van Beethoven.

The concert will begin promptly at 8:30 p.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium of the Library. Tickets for this concert will be distributed by Patrick Hayes, 1300 G St., N. W., beginning at 8:30 a.m., Monday, March 26. A service charge of 25 cents is placed on each ticket, and only two tickets are distributed to an individual.

Telephone reservations may be made on Monday morning by calling 393-4463. Mail orders are not accepted.

The Friday evening concert will be broadcast in its entirety by station WETA-FM (90.9), and made available to stations in other cities through the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress.

Correction. The article regarding a Federal grant received by the Library for employee advancement in the *Information Bulletin* of January 26, page 30, should have stated that "the Library of Congress has received approval from the Civil Service Commission of its proposal to administer a grant of up to $74,000 for the remainder of fiscal year 1973 and fiscal year 1974," rather than for "the remainder of fiscal year 1973."

STAFF NEWS

RETIREMENT

Albert B. Duren, Offset Pressman in the Printing Unit, Central Services Division, was presented a retirement certificate and a 30-year Federal Service Award pin on March 2 by Arthur Yabroff, Assistant Director for Management Services, Administrative Department. On March 1, Mr. Duren was guest of honor at a reception, attended by present and former coworkers. He was presented with a gift.

A native of Jefferson, S.C., Mr. Duren began his long Federal career with the Library in November 1942 as a Messenger in the Mail and Delivery Section. He left the Library one year later for duty with the U.S. Army and returned in November 1945. He was promoted to Offset Press Operator in the Duplicating Section in September 1955 and to his present position in August 1969.

AWARDS

Nicoletta G. Marketos, Head of the Romance Languages Section, Descriptive Cataloging Division, was presented a 30-year Federal Service Award pin on March 7 by William J. Welsh, Processing Department Director.

A native of Utica, N.Y., Miss Marketos received an A.B. degree from Elmira College in New York in

1935 and a library science degree from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor in 1936. Before coming to the Library in 1943, she worked in cataloging at the University of Michigan and at Temple University, Philadelphia. Most of Miss Marketos' work at the Library has been in the Descriptive Cataloging Division, where she began as a Junior Librarian, and has served in progressively more responsible cataloging positions. She was promoted to her present position in February 1969.

Lt. Erskine J. Underwood, a member of the Special Police Force, was presented a 30-year Federal Service Award pin on March 12 by F. E. Croxton, Administration Department Director.

Lieutenant Underwood, a native of Abbeville, S.C., attended Abbeville High School before entering the U.S. Army in January 1943. He was graduated from the Non-Commissioned Officers Training Academy at Fort Mead, Md., and retired with the rank of Sergeant (1st Class).

Lt. Underwood joined the Library's Special Police Force in October 1964, was promoted to Sergeant in May 1966, and to his present rank in January 1967.

Robert Dunn, Senior Reference Librarian in the Chinese and Korean Section, Orientalia Division, was presented a 20-year Federal Service Award pin on March 7 by Warren Tsuneishi, Division Chief.

Born in Boston, Mr. Dunn received a B.A. degree in 1937 and an M.A. degree in international relations in 1939, both from Harvard University. From 1940 to 1947 he traveled, studied, and did research in China. After serving eight years with the U.S. Treasury Department, he joined the Library staff in 1960. He has served as Research Analyst in the Defense Research Division (now the Federal Research Division), Technical Editor in the former Aerospace Technology Division, and Administrative Assistant in the Catalog Publications Division. He was promoted to his present position in October 1971.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Floyd Hedrick Named Procurement Chief

Floyd D. Hedrick has been appointed Chief of the Procurement and Supply Division, Administrative Department, effective March 12.

Mr. Hedrick has had 20 years of experience in purchasing with several companies. Since 1966 he has been Vice President of Purchasing with the Macke Company, where he was responsible for a centrally-controlled program of purchases and inventory control totaling over $70 million annually. Before that he held similar positions with the J. B. Kendall Company and Trailways Bus System.

Mr. Hedrick is the author of *Purchasing Management in the Smaller Company*, published by the American Management Association in 1971, for which he received an award of Distinction from the International Council of Authors for the best book making a major contribution in the business field. He has been a frequent lecturer at purchasing management seminars for the Association.

Intern Program Suspended

Under present Government-wide fiscal policies, all Federal agencies, including the Library of Congress, will in the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 1973, have to absorb all or a large part of the costs of the 1973 Federal pay increase. The cost of this increase for the Library for fiscal 1974 amounts to nearly $2,800,000. Consequently all staffing activities are being carefully and thoroughly reviewed to ensure that the Library does not exceed its budget authorization.

As part of this review, the Library has had to suspend the 1973/74 Library of Congress Intern Program. The decision was dictated not only by the cost of the program itself but also by the Library's inability to assure the interns of professional positions in the Library following completion of their training.

The Library plans, if the budget allows, to reinstate the program in fiscal year 1975.

Appointments: Howard B. Abramoff, bill digester, GS-7, CRS A, 4635; Janine M. D'Addario, secretarial assistant, GS-5, LL O, 4629; Barbara G. Grogan, book preparation assistant, GS-3, Bind, 4601; Eugenia H. Harrison, keyboarder, GS-5, NSDP, 4602; Diana Lee Matthews, card drawing clerk, GS-3, Card, 11-500; Susan R. Stadfield, publications clerk, GS-3, Cop Cat, 11-200.

Temporary Appointment: Linn E. Forhan, reference assistant, GS-5, CRS E, 4443.

Reappointments: Hang-Kyoon An, language specialist, GS-9, FRD, NP; Silas E. Bundy, warehouseman, WG-4, DBPH, NP; Torence D. Mathis, deck attendant, GS-4, Ser, NP.

Promotions: Francine M. Brown, E&G, to secretary to the assistant chief, GS-6, Ser Rec, 4619; Novella K. Colbert, to editorial assistant, GS-6, Ser Rec, 4610; George Garner, to laborer leader, WL-4, Bldgs, 4523; Eric M. Keaton, Bldgs, to laborer (laboratory), WG-3, Photodup, 4-100; Joseph E. Miranda, to senior copyright examiner, GS-12, Cop Exam, 4507; Elvira T. O'Kelly, to senior film editor, GT-6, Photodup, 4457; Braxton T. Pollard, Bldgs, to laborer leader, WL-4, 4523; Andrew R. Porvaznik, Bldgs, to fiscal accounting clerk, GS-3 FMO, 4656; Diane D. Robertson, to cash accounting clerk, GS-4, FMO, 4655; Sharon E. Russell, Cat Publ, to clerk, GS-4, Card, 4639; Jodi R. Sigmon, to senior copyright examiner, GS-12, Cop Exam, 4507; Diana L. Sloan to secretary, GS-5, Card, 4577; Lillie L. Travers, to secretary, GS-7, Ser, 4503.

Transfer: Patrick Nashan, Order, to cataloging assistant, GS-5, Ser Rec, 4621.

Resignations: Ida Mae Conaway, FMO; Hobart Duckett, Bldgs; Stephen P. Dwyer, E&G; Robert B. Garver, G&M; James A. Hare, Cop Cat; Phillip R. Kraft, CRS C; Ruth S. Swearingen, CRS F.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Library of Congress **Professional Association** will present Mrs. Elizabeth Hamer Kegan as the speaker at its March 29 meeting. Her topic will be "The American Revolutionary Bicentennial Celebration and the Library's Role in It." James H. Hutson, Coordinator of the Library's Bicentennial Programs, will also participate in the discussion. The meeting will be held in the Whittall Pavilion at 11:45 a.m.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Accessions List: India. Vol. 12, No. 1. January 1973. (pp. 1-67.) Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Library of Congress Catalog–Books: Subjects. A Cumulative List of Works Represented by Library of Congress Printed Cards. 1971 (1972). Vol. 1: A-Bid (ix, 1003 p.) Vol. 2: Bie-Comis. (1008 p.) Vol. 3: Comit-Electo. (949 p.) Vol. 4: Electr-From. (1001 p.) Vol. 5: Fron-Ind. (1020 p.) Vol. 6: Ine-Leub. (927 p.) For sale by the Card Division for $375 for three quarterly issues and an annual cumulation.

Library of Congress Catalog–Books: Subjects. A Cumulative List of Works Represented By Library of Congress Printed Cards. July-September 1972. Part 1: A-F. (ix, 1013 p.) Part 2: G-Par. (888 p.) Part 3: Pas-Z. (900 p.) For sale by the Card Division, Building 159, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20541, now for $470 a year for three quarterly issues and an annual cumulation.

Library of Congress Catalog–Motion Pictures and Filmstrips: A Cumulative List of Works Represented by Library of Congress Printed Cards. July-September 1972. (xi, 367 p.) For sale by the Card Division for $25 a year for the three quarterly issues.

Title Change: The name of the *Library of Congress Catalog–Motion Pictures and Filmstrips* will change to the *Library of Congress Catalog–Films and Other Materials for Projection* with the Publication of the January-March 1973 quarterly issue. This change in name reflects the change in the scope of the catalog. Earlier issues include entries for all motion pictures and filmstrips (but not for microfilms) currently cataloged or recataloged on Library of Congress printed catalog cards using data supplied mainly by film libraries, film producers, or distributing agencies. With the first quarterly issue for 1973, the catalog will include entries for the same material that appeared in earlier issues and will include entries for sets of transparencies and for slide sets. The catalog will be based on data supplied by appropriate producers, manufacturers, special libraries, or distributing agencies. Special subject headings developed for juvenile literature and the Library of Congress classification numbers will be included for the new material as well as for motion pictures and filmstrips as has been the case in the recent past.

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Commencing Publication After December 31, 1949. 1971 Cumulation. (xii, 377 p.) Prepared under the sponsorship of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials and issued in eight monthly and four quarterly issues and an annual cumulation. Supplement to the *Union List of Serials,* 3rd Edition. For sale by the Card Division for $150 a year.

Press Releases: No. 73-11 (March 13) George D. Cary retires as Register of Copyrights, Abe A. Goldman named acting Register; No. 73-12 (March 16) Daniel Hoffman named Consultant in Poetry to the Library of Congress.

Library of Congress Regulations: No. 1514-8 (March 6), page 7, reflected the administrative adjustment of tort claims reported to Congress; No. 213-10 (March 7) redefined the organization and functions of the Order Division.

Special Announcements: No. 548 (March 6) announced the appointment of Lloyd A. Pauls as Investigator, Equal Opportunity Office; no. 549 (March 8) announced the appointment of Floyd Dudley Hedrick, Chief, Procurement and Supply Division, Administrative Department; no. 550 (March 12) informed the staff of the retirement of George D. Cary, Register of Copyrights and the appointment of Abe A. Goldman, Acting Register of Copyrights; no. 511 (March 13) gave the shuttle bus schedule to Pickett Street and Crystal Mall Annexes, effective Monday, March 19, 1973.

NEW REFERENCE WORKS

According to the "Introduction" of David Woodworth's *Guide to Current British Journals* (London, The Library Association, 1970. 296 p. Z6956.G6W66), the work "is designed to provide a quick reference source for the speedy identification, and publication details, of British journals." "British" is defined to include England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man, and Channel Islands; "some important journals from the Irish Republic have also been included." Certain classes of material were excluded, such as parish magazines, girlie magazines, children's periodicals, student publications, and so on. In the main section of the work, the journals are arranged by their Universal Decimal Classification numbers, each entry providing the title, date of first issue, previous titles and their dates, frequency, level of appeal, coverage, features (e.g., abstracts, book reviews, legal notices, obituaries), index frequency, number of text and advertising pages in the issue examined, publisher's name and address, subscription details, circulation, the date of the issue examined, and whether the work is indexed in the *British Education, Humanities,* or *Technology Indexes,* or the *Internationale Bibliographie der Zeitschriftenliteratur.* "An appendix gives details of those journals carrying abstracts from the literature of their field." The work concludes with an index by title. The *Guide* is available in the Main Reading Room reference collection. [*Robert Zich*]

A Statistical Portrait of Higher Education, by Seymour E. Harris (New York, McGraw-Hill, 1972. 978 p. LA227.3.H25), a report for the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, is a comprehensive statistical study of higher education in the United States with emphasis on the economics of higher education but also covering other aspects of higher education. Following the "Introduction and Summary," which includes general information and a summary of most chapters, the body of the work is divided into five parts containing 28 chapters covering problems relating to students, enrollment, faculty, income and expenditures, and productivity and structure. One chapter deals with international comparisons. Approximately 700 tables drawn from official sources and from "a wide variety of private surveys and research projects" are included. "A substantial proportion of the tables were constructed for this volume." There is no index, but there is a very detailed table of contents. An extensive list of references appears on pages 965-978. Copies of this publication are available for reference in the Thomas Jefferson Room and in the Main Reading Room. [*Eileen C. Donahue*]

The newest addition to the Computext Bibliography Series, *Law Book Guide,* has been received by the MARC Development Office. The *Law Book Guide,* Vol. 1, No. 1, edited by Gerald L. Swanson and Philip P. Berelson, was published in January by the Law Book Guide Press, a division of Computext Communications, Ltd.

The bibliographic data is obtained from the weekly MARC tapes which cover English language monographs cataloged by the Library of Congress. The *Guide* is divided into six separate but interrelated sections: main entries, area studies, cataloging in publication entries, series entries, subject index, and title index. The January issue is available for reference use in the MARC Development Office, Room A-1037. [*Gail L. Hitchcock*]

In *Osteuropäische Bibliographische Abkürzungen,* 2., umgearb. u. erw. Aufl. (Berlin, Staatsbibliothek Preussischer Kulturbesitz, Osteuropa-Abteilung, 1972. 326 pp. 365.G6 1972), Franz Görner has compiled an exhaustive list of bibliographical abbreviations, including "neben rein bibliographisch-technischen auch andere in der bibliothekarischen Praxis häufig anzutreffende Abkürzungen."

Based on 39 sources which span the years 1931 to 1969, the list is divided into three sections: abbreviations in Slavic languages in Cyrillic alphabet, abbreviations in Slavic languages in Roman alphabet, and abbreviations in non-Slavic languages of Western Soviet Union and of Eastern Europe (Albanian, Estonian, Finnish, Greek, Latvian, Lithuanian, Moldavian, and Romanian). Excluded from the latter group are abbreviations in Hungarian, having been covered by E. Moravek's *Verzeichnis ungarischer Fachausdrücke und Abkürzungen aus dem Buch- und Bibliothekswesen.* (Wien, Österreichische Nationalbibliothek, 1958. 61 p.). The abbreviations originally in the Cyrillic and Greek alphabets are given in romanized form only. Tables of romanization are included. [*Adele Hallam*]

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

Donald Coney, Berkeley Librarian, Dies at 72

Donald Coney, former Librarian of the University of California, Berkeley, from 1945-1968, died on February 10. Under Mr. Coney's direction, the University Library grew from just over one million to three million volumes and realized a staff increase of over 200 per cent. Active in the library world, he served on a number of ALA committees and projects and was, at one time, a member of the ALA Council and the Board of Directors.

Born in 1901, Mr. Coney received his A.B. and A.M. degrees in library science from the University of Michigan in 1925 and 1927, respectively. He served as Librarian at the University of Delaware, 1927-28; Assistant Librarian at the University of North Carolina, 1928-31; Assistant Director and professor at the University of North Carolina Library School, 1931-32; Supervisor of Technical Processes at the Newberry Library in Chicago, 1932-34; and Librarian of the University of Texas, 1935-45.

While at Berkeley, Mr. Coney was Vice Chancellor for Administration, 1955-56; a member of the Board of Directors of the Faculty Club, 1951-57 and its President, 1952-53; an active professor in the School of Librarianship during his entire 23 years as Librarian; and a member of the CU Library Council.

Nigeria to Study its Library System

Recognizing the need to assign the responsibility of planning and directing the progress of libraries and librarianship in their country, the Nigerian legislature passed National Library Decree No. 29 of 1970, which entrusts these duties to the National Library of Nigeria. Relevant features of the new law are: (1) the establishment of the National Library as the Legal Deposit Library, (2) the establishment of a National Bibliographic Centre in the National Library, (3) the disbursement of advice and guidance to persons in the library profession, (4) the provision for the National Library to study and evaluate libraries throughout the country and to make recommendations, to local, state, and federal government for improvements, and (5) the establishment of a branch of the National Library in each of 12 states of Nigeria to ensure its effectiveness in reaching all parts of the country.

To conduct the survey and evaluation of library conditions on a continuing basis, a Statistical Department within the National Library has been established. Ibok Hogan-Bassey has been appointed Director of the Department and will study techniques employed by the Library Services Branch of the U.S. Office of Education at a training course at the U.S. National Center for Educational Statistics.

Institutes Scheduled

The Statler-Hilton Hotel in New York City will be the setting for the April 19 institute on "Media Integration in Academic Libraries," to be sponsored by the **Library Association of the City University of New York**. The two-part program will feature as morning speakers James F. Holly, Dean of Library Services, Evergreen State College, Olympia, Wash., and Estelle Jussim, Assistant Professor of Library Science, School of Library Science, Simmons College; while afternoon speakers will be Shirley Lewis, Director of Library Services, Cooperative Book Centre of Canada, Toronto, and Richard L. Ducote, Dean of Learning Resources, Learning Resources Center, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, Ill. The $10 registration fee, which includes a luncheon and a reception for participants, must accompany a reservation and should be mailed to Joan K. Marshall, Brooklyn College Library, Bedford Ave. and Avenue H, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11210.

"Biblio-Ecology: The Preservation of Library Materials" is the title of an institute sponsored by the **Department of Library Science, St. John's University**, to be held on Saturday, May 5, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the University's De Andreis Gallery, St. Augustine Hall, Grand Central and Utopia Parkways, Jamaica, Queens, N.Y. Speakers will include experts in the field of preservation of print and non-print materials and librarians involved in the restoration of library materials following the floods in Florence, Italy and Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Cost for the institute, including a luncheon, is $10 per person and reservations may be made by contacting Mildred Lowe, Assistant Professor, Department of Library Science, St. John's University, Jamaica, N.Y. 11439, (212) 969-8000, ext. 200 or 209.

The Graduate Department of Library Science at **Catholic University** will offer two summer institutes on its Washington, D.C. campus. The first 10-day session on Federal Library Resources Services Programs, Networks, and Data Banks will begin July 2 and continue through July 13. The second institute on the Federal Legislative Process and Libraries will begin July 16 and continue through July 27. Both institutes, each offering three-graduate credits, will meet five hours daily with field projects scheduled on week-ends.

Practicing librarians and students who have completed half their course work in library science degree programs are eligible to register for the institutes and may obtain applications from Ann Fox, Department of Library Science, Catholic University, Washington,

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D.C. 20017. The deadline for application is March 31.

SLA Science and Technology Group to Meet

The next meeting of the Science and Technology Group of the Special Libraries Association, Washington Chapter, will be held on Saturday, March 31, at 10:30 a.m. at the Smithsonian Institution's Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. Dr. Raimi Ojikutu, a Woodrow Wilson Scholar from Lagos, Nigeria, will speak on ecology in the developing countries. For reservations, call Vivian Sammons (426-5580) or Catherine Bahn (426-5664). Light refreshments will be served after the meeting, which will be limited to 50 persons.

Scholarship Program for Minority Groups to Continue

The University of Illinois Graduate School of Library Science will again offer a scholarship program in library science for members of minority groups. This financial aid program is designed to provide for the support of 10 students selected for the 1973-74 school year who will be given half-time assistantships, paying approximately $3,700, in addition to a tuition and fee waiver. Students will begin the program in June, and will need at least 15 months to complete their course work. Twenty hours per week of work in the University Library or assisting a Library School faculty member is required as part of the scholarship program.

Applications for the program are available from the Graduate School of Library Science, Scholarship Program, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill. 61801, and must be submitted by April 15 with scores from the Graduate Record Examination.

Federal Library Committee Meets

At its February 28 meeting the Federal Library Committee heard a report from Paul Vassallo, Director, National Serials Data Program, on current progress in the development of a national data base on serial publications, an automated record for use by the Library of Congress, National Agricultural Library, and National Library of Medicine. The program also has important benefits for the national user community (i.e., other libraries, subscription agencies, publishers, and abstracting and indexing services), and international aspects of the program stem from its designation as the U.S. center for the assignment of International Standard Numbers to serial publications. Mr. Vassallo exhibited a printout of the initial data base, to which each of the three national libraries is sending current serials cataloging for input.

Mrs. Jennifer Magnus, Assistant Chief of LC's Order Division, reported to the committee an enthusiastic response to the suggested development of a Standard Order Form for the use of the three national libraries and possibly other Federal libraries. Discussions are proceeding with publishers, book dealers, and other librarians, and a draft format is planned for presentation at the ALA annual conference in June.

The committee considered the critical situation of agency libraries whose functions are transferred elsewhere and authorized the Executive Secretary to form a subcommittee to advise agency administrators concerning the disposition of library materials and functions in such circumstances.

Historical Society Publishes Capitol Studies

The U.S. Capitol Historical Society has begun the publication of *Capitol Studies*, a biannual journal devoted to the Capitol and Congress. Edited by William M. Maury, who is assisted by Maier B. Fox, the publication has an editorial board of distinguished historians, including Oliver Orr of the Library of Congress Manuscript Division.

Vol. 1, No. 1, published in the spring of 1972, has several articles on "the issue of pressure on Congress, from without, as exemplified by lobbyists, and from within, as seen in the give and take of political fighting." No. 2, fall 1972, continues political investigations, including an article by Senator Gale W. McGee on "Executive Power in Foreign Policy-Making." Articles in both issues deal with the Capitol building itself and some of its art work.

Members of the Society may subscribe to *Capitol Studies* for $3, non-member subscriptions are $4, and institutions $6. Orders should be sent to Capitol Studies, U.S. Capitol Historical Society, 200 Maryland Ave., N.E., Washington, D.C. 20515.